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Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 09812.0126

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Sayoko MATSUMOTO et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1634  
Application No.: 10/574,583 ) Examiner: Green, Jaime M.  
Filed: February 8, 2007 ) Confirmation No.: 3961  
For: METHOD OF STRETCHING )  
SINGLE-STRANDED NUCLEIC )  
ACID, SINGLE-STRANDED )  
NUCLEIC ACID STRETCHING )  
SYSTEM AND DNA CHIP )

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed April 1, 2008, the period for response to which has been extended through September 1, 2008, by a Petition for Extension of Time of two months and a fee payment submitted concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper beginning on page 2.

**Remarks** follow the amendment section of this paper.